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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): An electrical cable have a conductor core and a sheathing layer covering the core, the sheathing layer made of a synthetic resin material and having an outer surface with a mono-color, the cable comprising:

a first mark having a first color and provided on a first part of an outer surface of the sheathing layer, and

a second mark having a second color and provided on a second part of the outer surface of the sheathing layer, wherein the second color is different from the first color, and the second part is positioned in an opposite side of the first side in a circumferential direction of the cable,

wherein the sheathing layer of the cable has a first outer surface and a second outer surface, the first and second outer surfaces each extending in a longitudinal direction of the cable, the first outer surface positioned oppositely to the second outer surface in a circumferential direction of the cable, at least one of the first and second outer surfaces provided with a plurality of the first and second marks that are alternately positioned in [[a]] the longitudinal direction of the cable, and the first mark is longer than the second mark in the longitudinal direction of the cable.

Claim 2 (Original): The cable recited in claim 1, wherein the first and second marks are positioned at an end of the cable.

Claim 3 (Canceled).

Claim 4 (Previously Presented): The cable recited in claim 2, wherein at least three of the first and second marks are provided at the end of the cable in a circumferential direction of the cable with regular intervals.

Claim 5 (Canceled).

Claims 6-9 (Canceled).